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SUBJ: SOVIET SCHOLARSHIPS FOR ETHIOPIAN STUDENTS

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1. AT A PRESS CONFERENCE ON 2 AUG 1978, SOVIET DEPUTY CHIEF OF GENERAL DEPARTMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF HIGHER AND SECONDARY SPECIAL EDUCATION, DMITRY P. BILIBIN, CLAIMED THAT THE SOVIET UNION HAD OFFERED 731 GRADUATE AND UNDER-GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR THE 1978-79 SCHOOL YEAR TO ETHIOPIAN STUDENTS. SCHOLARSHIPS INCLUDE STUDY IN THE FIELDS OF MEDICINE, AGRICULTURE, ENGINEERING, ART, CULTURE, JOURNALISM, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, AND PEDAGOGY. THE SOVIET UNION WILL PAY ALL EXPENSES, INCLUDING ROUND TRIP AIR TICKETS. THE SCHOLARSHIPS ARE FOR A VARIETY OF UNIVERSITIES AND OTHER INSTITUTES OF HIGHER LEARNING IN THE USSR.

2. AMHARIC-LANGUAGE DAILY OF 3 AUG 1978 REPORTED THAT ETHIOPIA HAS GRADUATED 300 STUDENTS FROM SOVIET INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION, CHIEFLY FROM PRE-REVOLUTION DAYS. IT WAS ALSO REPORTED THERE ARE CURRENTLY 800 ETHIOPIAN

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STUDENTS IN THE SOVIET UNION.

3. COMMENT: EMBASSY NOTED WITH INTEREST THE MASSIVE GRANT OF SCHOLARSHIPS (THIS YEAR TOTALING ALMOST AS MANY AS PREVIOUS YEARS COMBINED) TO ETHIOPIA FROM THE USSR AND BELIEVES THIS AN INDICATION OF THE SOVIET UNION'S LONG TERM INTEREST IN AND COMMITMENT TO REVOLUTIONARY ETHIOPIA.

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